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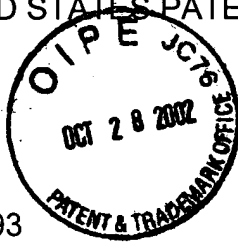
In re the Application of:

LUBITZ, et al.

Application No.: 09/147,693

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For: NEW SYSTEMS FOR THE REGULATION OF GENE EXPRESSION



Art Unit: 1636

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

October 28, 2002

Dear Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated May 22, 2002, for three (3) months from August 22, 2002 to November 22, 2002.

Enclosed please find a check in the amount of Four Hundred Sixty Dollars (\$460.00) to cover the cost of the small entity extension. In the event that any additional fees are required with respect to this paper, please charge Counsel's Deposit Account No. 01-2300, referring to client-matter number 100564-09005.

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Respectfully submitted,

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